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By: **Prince George's County Delegation**  
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Assigned to: Economic Matters

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2                                   **Prince George's County - Laurel Area - Additional Class B Beer, Wine and**  
3                                   **Liquor Licenses**  
4                                   **PG 333-04**

5 FOR the purpose of authorizing the Prince George's County Board of License  
6 Commissioners to issue Class B beer, wine and liquor licenses under certain  
7 circumstances in a certain area in Laurel to certain individuals and entities who  
8 already hold other Class B beer, wine and liquor licenses; altering the number of  
9 Class B licenses a license holder may hold under certain circumstances; and  
10 generally relating to Class B beer, wine and liquor licenses in Prince George's  
11 County.

12 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
13 Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages  
14 Section 9-217(a)  
15 Annotated Code of Maryland  
16 (2001 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)

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18 Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages  
19 Section 9-217(f)(5)  
20 Annotated Code of Maryland  
21 (2001 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)

22 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
23 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

24                                   **Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages**

25 9-217.

26 (a) This section applies only in Prince George's County.

1 (f) (5) (i) This paragraph does not apply to a licensed premises located in  
2 a chain store, supermarket, discount house, drug store, or convenience store.

3 (ii) Notwithstanding any other provision of this article, the Board of  
4 License Commissioners may allow an individual, partnership, corporation,  
5 unincorporated association, or limited liability company to hold or have an interest in  
6 more than one Class B beer, wine and liquor license, if the restaurant for which the  
7 license is sought is located within any of the following areas that are underserved by  
8 restaurants:

9 1. Suitland business district, consisting of properties  
10 fronting on or having access to Silver Hill Road between Suitland Parkway and  
11 Sunset Lane, and on Suitland Road between Arnold Road and Eastern Lane;

12 2. Part of the Port Towns business district, consisting of  
13 properties fronting on or having access to Rhode Island Avenue, Bladensburg Road,  
14 Annapolis Road, or 38th Street, in legislative district 22; [or]

15 3. Largo area, consisting of properties within the area  
16 bounded by the Capital Beltway (I-495) on the west, Central Avenue and Landover  
17 Road on the south and southeast, Campus Way North on the east and Route 214 and  
18 Landover Road on the north and northwest; OR

19 4. LAUREL AREA, CONSISTING OF PROPERTIES FRONTING  
20 ON OR WITHIN THE AREA BOUNDED BY 7TH STREET ON THE WEST, MAIN STREET  
21 AND A LINE EXTENDING FROM MAIN STREET TO THE PATUXENT RIVER ON THE  
22 SOUTH, AND THE PATUXENT RIVER ON THE NORTH AND EAST.

23 (iii) 1. Except as provided in sub-subparagraphs 2 and 3 of this  
24 subparagraph, a license holder may not hold more than [4] 5 Class B beer, wine and  
25 liquor licenses within all of the underserved areas described in subparagraph (ii) of  
26 this paragraph.

27 2. A license holder may be issued or transferred a [fifth]  
28 SIXTH Class B beer, wine and liquor license only if the date of the application for the  
29 [fifth] SIXTH license is at least 1 year after the date the license holder was issued or  
30 transferred the [fourth] FIFTH license.

31 3. A license holder may be issued or transferred a [sixth]  
32 SEVENTH Class B beer, wine and liquor license only if the date of the application for  
33 the [sixth] SEVENTH license is at least 1 year after the date the license holder was  
34 issued or transferred the [fifth] SIXTH license.

35 (iv) An individual, partnership, corporation, unincorporated  
36 association, or limited liability company that holds or has an interest in a license  
37 located in an underserved area described in subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph may  
38 not hold or have an interest in more than one license located outside of all the  
39 underserved areas.

1 (v) The annual license fee for a Class B license obtained under this  
2 paragraph is \$2,500.

3 (vi) A Class B license obtained under this paragraph does not confer  
4 off-sale privileges.

5 (vii) The residency requirements under § 9-101 of this title apply to  
6 an applicant for a Class B license under this paragraph.

7 (viii) The limit on the maximum number of Class B beer, wine and  
8 liquor licenses in the county under subsection (b) of this section applies to the  
9 issuance of licenses under this paragraph.

10 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
11 June 1, 2004.